

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF
WASTEWATER SYSTEM OPERATORS
MINUTES
January 19, 2010**

The following are minutes of the Kentucky Board of Certification of Wastewater System Operators held January 19, 2010 at the Division of Compliance Assistance in Frankfort, Kentucky.

Board Members Present

David Pedigo, Chairman
Larry Grubbs, Vice Chairman
Gary Epperson
Dr. Andrew Ernest
Dennis Gumbert
Robin Strader
Alan Todd
Aaron Keatley, Cabinet Representative

Others

Lisa Butler, Division of Compliance Assistance (DCA)
Julia Kays, DCA
Melisa Brothers, KWWOA
Gary Larimore, KRWA

I. Call to Order

David Pedigo called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

II. Guest Introduction and Guest Comments

Gary Larimore, KRWA, discussed the training session that was tabled at the December 15, 2009 board meeting. After reviewing the additional information provided by KRWA Robin Strader entered a motion to approve the course for 12.0 hours. Gary Epperson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the December 15, 2009 minutes was entered by Larry Grubbs. Gary Epperson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

IV. Old Business

The board discussed the tabled training request # 1395 from KRWA for their Treatment and Distribution Optimization and Safety course held on January 13, 2010. Robin Strader entered a motion to approve the course for 12.0 hours. Gary Epperson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The board discussed the approval of the session at the 2010 Management Conference for the WTI session. The board felt that based on what was submitted the course did not meet a core content subject in order for the hours to be approved for continuing education hours. Dr. Ernest said that he would ask Christal Wade to provide additional information for the 2010 Management Conference, WTI session to the board. Mr. Keatley suggested that KRWA review the request and submit additional information at next month's board meeting to justify reconsideration. Dave Pedigo asked if the board needed to revise the core content. Mr. Keatley cautioned that the board should not

establish something in the core content that is the equivalent of a marketing presentation. Aaron said any revisions to the core content items should be made based on the substance of the information and how it would result in making the operator a better operator. A motion was entered by Dave Pedigo to approve 8.0 hours for the 2010 Management Conference. The one hour WTI session was not approved.

Aaron Keatley suggested that KRWA submit additional information to the board for review. The board requested KRWA submit more information regarding the session demonstrating how the session meets a core content topic. Robin Strader seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Melissa Brothers, KWWOA mentioned that .25 hours of course 1418 which was approved by the board during this meeting was a WTI session at the vendor training for the North Central Chapter. Because the board did not approve the WTI session at the 2010 Management Conference she felt that they would not want to approve this session. After discussion Dave Pedigo made a motion to change the approval for request 1418 to a total of 2.75 hours. Larry Grubbs seconded the motion and the motion carried.

V. New Business

- A. Training Requests (Addendum 1)
- B. Exam Requests (Addendum 2)
- C. A motion to release today's training actions was made by Robin Strader. Larry Grubbs seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- D. The discussion of the wastewater board bylaws was tabled until the February board meeting
- E. The board discussed the approval of the session at the 2010 Management Conference for the WTI session. The board felt that based on what was submitted the course did not meet a core content subject in order for the hours to be approved for continuing education hours. Dr. Ernest said that he would ask Christal Wade to provide additional information for the 2010 Management Conference, WTI session to the board. A motion was entered by Dave Pedigo to approve 8.0 hours for the 2010 Management Conference. The one hour WTI session was not approved.
- F. The starting time of the board meeting was discussed and the board decided it will meet at 11:00 a.m. on the scheduled board dates in 2010.

VI. Communications

- A. A financial statement was distributed to board members for December 2009 for their review.

VII. Executive Session

Dave Pedigo made a motion for the board to enter executive session to discuss disciplinary matters. Gary Epperson seconded the motion and the motion carried. The board went into executive session at 11:10 am.

The board returned from executive session at 2:00 PM.

A motion was entered by Dave Pedigo to downgrade Nathan Frazier's class II wastewater treatment license to a class I wastewater treatment license. In addition his class II wastewater treatment license will then be placed on probation for one (1) year. During that year, Mr. Frazier cannot be in primary responsible charge of any wastewater treatment facility in Kentucky.

Mr. Frazier must work for at least six months under the supervision of a mentor during the probation period. The mentor must be certified at a level equal to or greater than the level required for the size of the system where the mentor is an operator. The mentor must be at the same facility as Mr. Frazier. Mr. Frazier must submit a letter from the mentor acknowledging the agreement of mentor ship.

Mr. Frazier will be required to appear before the certification board at the end of the probation period to discuss his progress.

Mr. Frazier must maintain his class I treatment license and his class II collection license in good standing during the probation period. Mr. Frazier shall also earn continuing education as required for certification renewal and renew certifications on time.

Mr. Frazier shall also ensure that during the probation period, that no additional disciplinary actions are taken against his license for activities performed during the probation period. Gary Epperson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

After review of information provided by Michael Schroeder and because of a lack of evidence pertaining to the complaint and a record of acceptable operations at the Shepherdsville WWTP, while under the primary responsibility of Mr. Schroeder, Dave Pedigo entered a motion to take no further action on Mr. Schroeder's Class IV wastewater treatment license. Gary Epperson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

VIII. Adjournment

Robin Strader entered a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Alan Todd seconded the motion and the motion carried. The board adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Training Requests

Request Number	Provider Name	Name of Training	Date of Training	WW Hours Requested	WW Board Comments	WW 1st	WW 2nd	Motion Carried	WW hours approved	WW TCH #
1404	ATS Engineering, Inc.	Engineering for the Operator	12/8/2009	6		RS	DG	Yes	6	7776
1405	Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.	2010 Management Conference - Bridging the Gap	2/23/2010	9	WTI session not approved - requested more information. A. Ernest abstained	DP	RS	Yes	8	7739
1406	MSD of Louisville	Lake Forest & Timberlake WQTC SOP	1/19/2009	3		AT	GE	Yes	3	7778
1407	Kentucky American Water	Electrical Safety-Know Your Ground	2/23/2010	0.5	Quiz not approved for continuing education credit	AT	DG	Yes	0.25	7779
1409	Louisville Water Company	Technical Training 2009	10/6/2009	3		AT	GE	Yes	3	7781
1410	Louisville Water Company	Sexual Harassment For Employees	10/27/2009	1	Not an approved core content topic	DG	LG	Yes	0	0
1411	Louisville Water Company	Sexual Harassment for Managers	10/27/2009	2	Not a core content approved topic	DG	LG	Yes	0	0

Request Number	Provider Name	Name of Training	Date of Training	WW Hours Requested	WW Board Comments	WW 1st	WW 2nd	Motion Carried	WW hours approved	WW TCH #
1418	North Central Chapter KWWOA	Vendor Training Sessions - Fall School	11/2/2009	3	Did not approve the WTI session	DP	LG	Yes	2.75	7797
1419	Kentucky American Water	Excavation, Shoring and Manufacturer's Tabulated Data	3/9/2010	5.5		DP	GE	Yes	5.5	7798
1420	Kentucky American Water	MSDS-Material Safety Data Sheets Safety Meeting	11/6/2006	0.5		DP	DG	Yes	0.5	7799
1421	Advanced Safety & Health LLC	Respiratory Protection	12/2/2009	2		DG	GE	Yes	2	7800
1422	Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.	Treatment & Distribution Optimization & Safety	2/3/2010	12		DG	LG	Yes	12	7804
1423	Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.	Treatment & Distribution Optimization & Safety	1/13/2010	12	Suggested that courses be broke down from 2 hours to 1 hour segments	RS	GE	Yes	12	7801
1424	Kentucky Rural Water Assoc.	Math, Regulation & Optimization	2/10/2010	12		DG	GE	Yes	12	7805

Request Number	Provider Name	Name of Training	Date of Training	WW Hours Requested	WW Board Comments	WW 1st	WW 2nd	Motion Carried	WW hours approved	WW TCH #
1426	Kentucky American Water	Fire Safety Meeting	12/9/2009	0.5	Not approved - not core content topic	RS	LG	Yes	0	0
1427	Kentucky American Water	Stepping Up - A Road Map for New Supervisors	12/9/2009	0.5		RS	GE	Yes	0.5	7811
1428	Kentucky American Water	Confined Space Operator Training Production	1/26/2010	1		RT	LG	Yes	1	7812

Exam Requests

Request #	Name	AI #	Date Received by DCA	Application Type	If Reciprocity State & Current Certification	Status: Approved, Conditional Approval, Denied)	Comments	1st	2nd	Motion Carried
107	Carol J. Schoaff	106024	12/15/2009	IV Collection		Approved		LG	GE	X
108	Rodney E. Chervus	106023	12/15/2009	IV Collection		Approved	Referred back to agency for review	GE	RS	X
109	Dale T. Bird	106599	12/7/2009	IV Treatment		Approved	Denied for class IV approved for class III	LG	GE	X
110	Kenneth D. Hogsten Jr.	84369	12/22/2009	IV Collection		Approved		LG	GE	X